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AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

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EP 1 039 510 A1 and EP 1 235 114 A1, cited in the Search Report, have not been submitted or listed as their U.S. equivalents, U.S. Patent No. 6,359,678 and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0109103, respectively, have been listed instead. The undersigned respectfully notes that copies of U.S. references are not required in applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

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